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KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE.

IN SENATE.

THURSDAY, Feb. 23, 1854.

Prayer by the Rev. J. H. LINN, of the Methodist Church.

MESSAGE FROM THE H. R.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, announcing that they had passed bills of the following titles, viz:

An act to incorporate the Richmond and Big Hill Turnpike Road Company.

An act to incorporate the Richmond and Mud- dy Creek Turnpike Road Company.

An act to incorporate the Richmond and Ken- tucky river Turnpike Road Company.

An act to incorporate the Richmond and Paint Lick Turnpike Road Company.

An act to amend the charter of the towns of

Richmond and Barboursville.

An act to incorporate the Pompely's Mills and Clark's creek Turnpike Road Company.

An act to incorporate the Maysville Gas Company.

That they had passed a bill from the Senate, entitled, an act to aid in the erection of a monu- ment over the grave of Henry Clay.

RESOLUTION.

Mr. CAVAN offered the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That Gov. Wright be respectfully invited to take a seat, at his pleasure, within the bar of the Senate Chamber, during his present sojourn at the Capital.

Said resolution was unanimously adopted.

LEAVE TO BRING IN A BILL.

Leave was given to bring in the following bill, which was appropriately referred:

Mr. SPENCER—A bill for the benefit of Durham Sanders, late Sheriff of Taylor county.

PLANTERS AND MANUFACTURERS BANK.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the bill to charter the Planters and Manufacturers Bank of Kentucky.

The questions pending were the amendments offered on yesterday, viz:

Mr. SPENCER offered the following amend- ment, viz:

Provided, That the tax required, (in the 15th section) when so paid shall be set apart, and the same be hereby dedicated to the cause of education, and shall form a part of the common school fund of this State.

Mr. D. HOWARD SMITH offered the follow- ing amendment, viz:

If the net profits of the institution, after pay- ing all expenses at the end of the year, exceed eight per cent per annum, the overplus shall be paid into the treasury to the credit of the Sinking Fund.

After some remarks from Messrs. BULLOCK, STONE, DE COURCY, WEIS, MACHEN and HARRIS, in favor, and from Messrs. D. HOWARD SMITH, HOGAN, BRADLEY, WADSWORTH, and GOLIADAY, in opposition to the bill,

The question was taken on Mr. D. HOWARD SMITH's amendment, and it was rejected.

After a few remarks from Messrs. SPENCER and CONKLIN,

Mr. SPENCER withdrew his amendment.

Mr. D. HOWARD SMITH proposed the fol- lowing amendment, viz:

That said institution shall have no power to make loans to any of its stockholders until they shall have respectively paid the full amount of the stock subscribed by them; and should said institution make such loans its charter is hereby forfeited.

Mr. KOHLHAAS moved the previous ques- tion, which was ordered.

The question was then taken on the passage of the bill, and decided in the affirmative—years, 22; nays, 13.

A BILL TO INCREASE THE SCHOOL FUND.

Mr. CONKLIN—A bill to increase the com- mon school fund: passed.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES.

Mr. CALDWELL—A bill to incorporate a company to improve the navigation of Rock- castle river: passed.

Same—A bill from the H. R. to incorporate the Bryantsville and Cane Run Turnpike road Company: passed.

Same—A bill from the H. R. to incorporate the Lancaster and Sugar Creek Turnpike road Company: passed.

Same—A bill to incorporate the Louisville Water Company: passed.

Same—A bill to incorporate the Greensburg and Campbellsville Turnpike Road Company: passed.

Same—A bill regulating the Board of Inter- nal Improvement, requiring them to make annual settlements; further consideration of said bill postponed until half past 10 o'clock to-morrow.

Same—A bill from the H. R. to authorize the County Courts of the counties of Laurel and Rockcastle to make changes in the Wilderness Turnpike road; to sell the gate on said road, and provide for the appointment of overseers: passed.

Same—A bill from the A. R. to authorize a bridge to be built across Beaver creek, in Floyd county: passed.

Same—A bill to amend an act, entitled, an act to incorporate the Clear Creek Turnpike Road Company, and the act amendatory thereof passed.

JOINT RESOLUTION.

Mr. STONE offered the following joint reso- lution, viz:

Resolved, by the General Assembly of the Com- monwealth of Kentucky, That the present General Assembly shall continue in session until the 13th day of March next, and that on that day they will adjourn sine die.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEE.

Mr. CALDWELL—Internal Improvement—A bill to charter the Kentucky and Tennessee Railroad Company.

While the Clerk was reading the above bill the Senate took a recess until 3 o'clock.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THURSDAY, Feb. 21, 1854.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. JOHN H. LINN, of the Methodist Church.

RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. DORMAN moved the following resolutions, which was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House appoint a committee to wait upon their Excellencies Governors Wright and Powell, to request of them for publication their addresses delivered in this hall before the General Assembly of Kentucky.

Resolved, That the Public Printer, as soon as practicable, print one thousand copies of said addresses, for the use of the members of this House and the officers thereof.

Whereupon, the SPEAKER appointed Messrs. DORMAN, EVE, and COFFEE.

RECONSIDERATION.

The House, according to order, here proceeded to consider the motion of Mr. GREEN to recon- sider the vote by which the bill for the benefit of Joseph Wolfe, of Louisville, was rejected.

After a few remarks from Messrs. SALE, REASOR, in favor, and Messrs. ANDERSON, and ALLEN, in opposition to the bill: the question was taken upon the reconsideration, and it was decided in the affirmative.

The bill then passed—years, 54; nays, 36.

LEAVE TO BRING IN BILLS.

Was asked and obtained as follows, and such leaves were appropriately referred.

Mr. GABERT—A bill to change the line between voting precincts, Nos. 5 and 6, in Mer- cer county.

Mr. W. ALEXANDER—A bill authorizing the County Court of Meade or the Presiding Judge of said county to sell and convey the lot of ground on which the old jail of said county now stands.

Same—A bill authorizing the trustees and

their successors to make sale of and convey the lot of ground on which the Methodist Episcopal Church stands, in the town of Brandenburg.

Mr. MITCHELL—A bill to incorporate a col- lege at Mt. Sterling.

Same—A bill to change the time of holding the courts in the 10th Judicial District.

Same—A bill to incorporate the Mount Ster- ling Cemetery Company.

Mr. FARRISH—A bill to change the line of Little Sandy precinct in Morgan county.

Mr. DILLMAN—A bill to establish the foun- daries of South Carrollton, in Muhlenburg.

Same—A bill to incorporate the Pleasant Grove Coal Mining Company.

Same—A bill to incorporate the North Liberty Coal Mining Company.

Mr. A. C. WILSON—A bill to change the time of electing the trustees and officers of Bardstown for the year 1854.

Mr. J. HALL—A bill for the benefit of School District No. 24, in Nicholas county.

Mr. J. W. GRIFFITH—A bill to extend the limits of the town of Lagrange.

Same—A bill to change the time of holding the County Courts of Oldham to the 2d Monday in each month.

Same—A bill to authorize the County Court of Oldham to sell the Poor House and Poor House grounds belonging to said county.

Mr. BLANTON—A bill for the benefit of School District No. —, in Owen county.

REPORTS FROM STANDING AND SELECT COMMITTEES.

Mr. ANDERSON—committee on Claims—A bill for the benefit of Theodore W. Lewis.

Mr. SILVERTOOT—committee on County Courts—A bill regulating the duties of the Inspectors of J. H. McMillans Warehouse, in Monroe county: passed.

Same from same—A bill to allow two additional terms of the Barren County Courts: passed.

Mr. ALEXANDER—A bill to regulate and change the time of holding the several Circuit Courts in the 11th Judicial District.

On motion of Mr. M. C. JOHNSON the bill was so amended as that it shall not go into effect until the 1st of June.

And then amended, it passed.

Mr. HAUSER—committee on Judiciary—A bill incorporating the Kentucky Coal Mining Company: passed.

Mr. FARISS—select committee—A bill for the benefit of the late Sheriff of Breathitt coun- ty: passed.

Same—A bill to extend the corporate limits of the town of Jackson, in Breathitt county: passed.

Same—A bill to incorporate West Liberty No. 98, Sons of Temperance, in Morgan county: passed.

Mr. MOREHEAD—committee on Judiciary—A Senate bill for the benefit of Jessie H. Re- no: passed.

Mr. WILLINGHAM—committee on Privi- leges and Elections—A Senate bill to establish an election precinct in Muhlenburg, and to regulate the voting in districts 1 and 3, in Bullitt county: passed.

Mr. LEWIS—committee on Internal Improve- ment—A bill to amend the act incorporating the Chaplin and Bloomfield Turnpike road Company: passed.

Mr. BLANTON—select committee—A bill to change the place of voting in District No. 1, in Owen county: passed.

Same from same—A bill authorizing the Owen County Court to change the State road leading from Owenton to Liberty: passed.

Mr. MORGHEAD—judiciary—A bill to improve the roads of Pendleton county.

Mr. LEWIS offered an amendment to the bill, which was adopted, and to whom Mr. BRANNON remarked that he had no objection.

The bill, as amended, then passed.

Mr. SILVERTOOT—committee on County Courts—A bill authorizing the County Court of Pendleton to change districts and places of voting.

Mr. LEWIS moved an amendment, which was adopted.

Mr. MORING also moved an amendment, which was adopted.

The bill, as amended, then passed.

Mr. COFFEE—select committee—A bill amending the act incorporating the Paducah Marine Railway Company: passed.

GOV. WEIGHT OF INDIANA.

On motion of Mr. MOREHEAD, an invitation was extended to Gov. Wright, of Indiana, to take a seat within the bar of the House during his sojourn at the capital.

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THE APPORTIONMENT BILL.

REMARKS OF MR. WADSWORTH, OF MASON, UPON THE BILL DIVIDING THE STATE INTO CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS.

Mr. SPEAKER—I desire briefly as the subject will permit to consider the Apportionment Bills now before the Senate. I desire to act on them intelligently and candidly, and am anxious that others should do so likewise. An impartial examination of the subject of apportionment, in general, and of these bills particularly, coincides to a fault. It was therefore with no ordinary pleasure that I saw the Senator from Mercer, (Mr. HARDIN,) arise to address himself to the subject. Well informed, laborious, and usually accurate and fair, I listened in the full expectation that he had studied the whole subject well, and would elucidate the issue now made by him.

He appeals to Whigs to permit the Democrats to do this, because it relieves the Whigs in the 2d, and adds a Democratic county to a district already hopelessly against us. The Senator of course did not offer any amendment, and refused to do so when I went to him and invited him to make a manly exhibit of his programme. The Senator from Daviess has also appealed to us in set speech to permit him to remain with his Democratic brethren of the 1st. When these two leading Democratic Senators thus appealed to the Senate, and asked that which was a favor to the Whigs of the 2d, as well as to themselves, it would have been hard to deny it. I voted against it, and so did most of the Whigs, but it was carried by the exertions of the Senator from Daviess.

The bill to which the Senator from Daviess has been sacrificed is the 7th, 14,740 above the ratio, the 7th, 7,714 below the ratio. In no other part of the State do such great inequalities exist; it is necessary that greater changes should be made here than elsewhere. Had the committee desired to make a Whig district of the 9th, nothing would have been easier than to do so, and to have made out indubitably so, and at the same time to have made out indubitably so, and to

between the 10th and the 8th, instead of being 2,454 as now, will be but 6,532, and the 10th have the advantage that has so long had the disadvantage. The difference between the 9th and 10th, instead of being 21,244 as now, will be 8,959, and the 9th, that has been so many years, 6,505 under the ratio, now takes her turn in carrying a less excess. The difference between the 7th and 5th, instead of being 13,355 as now, will be but 2,833! Surely there are great and desirable improvements, if ignorantly and stupidly we thought only of the ratio in forming a fair apportionment bill.

But this bill will improve the symmetry and compactness of the districts, while it respects and strengthens the established and natural associations of the people. That frigidal elongation of the 9th into the centre of the 6th is cut off, and one no longer is compelled to climb the mountain ranges that divide the waters of the Licking and Kentucky rivers, or travel all around the Western, Southern and Eastern sides of Morgan and Breathitt, near 200 miles. The 4th is left round as heretofore. The spherical 5th is changed as little as the addition of any county but Whig Boyle would change it. A hole is filled up in the 3d by the natural addition of Edmonson; the Eastern line of the 1st and the Western line of the 2d, were drawn straight, until the prayers of democracy, backed by their votes, prevailed to crook it as before. The 7th is compacted; and the 8th, that now forks out like the horns of an ox, has been made round and shapely; and surrounded as it is by Whig counties, Clarke, Madison, Garrard, etc., has been formed by the natural exision of one, and the addition of two Democratic counties.

Why talk of Whigs wishing to legislate Breckinridge out of Congress? It could have been conveniently done with one dash of the pen!

If his former vote was honest, he has still a majority without any increase in Harrison or Nicholas.

With how much more justice might it be said, attempts were made to legislate him back again, and to legislate out the Whigs now there.

It has been here suggested to treat Ben. Edwards Gray from the 2d to the 1st; to take away

Shelby from Preston; a man more terrible to the enemy than "an army with banners," to pile up

majorities against Cox, the champion of the 9th, and to entrench Chrisman in the 4th.

The bill is not perfect. One wise, candid

man can make a better—it has not yet been

done—but it is far better than the present

law—for better than any other widely differing

78 individuals can make. And he who now

seeks to embarrass its passage, seeks to impose

the old districts on the people, and they will

call him to account. The design cannot be covered up.

My friend, the Senator from Lyon, has thought

proper to allude to the Senator from Mason as an aspirant for Congressional honors.

Mr. Speaker, if the motives that actuate the conduct of one so little important as myself, could be

properly interesting to the Senator or others, I

regret more pains had not been taken to fathom them.

There are all around me, those who can

say whether I have been more anxious to make

a Whig district for myself, than to apportion

representation on principles that would do justice

to all, and honor to the party in power.

When I came here at the sacrifice of my feelings and my material interests, in the discharge of public duty, I had no more thought of being a candidate in my own district, than in the Senator's.

With hand upon heart, I can say I have

no such thought or wish. There are those de-

pendent on me, dearer than distempering fame,

or public honors. I can wait. But how is it

with my friend if he were put to his pugnacity?

Does he aspire to Congress?

"The tapwing cries from her nest away."

In a distant part of the field, with laboring wing

and loud obtrusive cries she seeks to attract

the attention of the passer by and withdraws

his footstep from her callow young vacant?

Nay, is it true that my friend tried to ascend it

before the abdication of the reigning monarch,

and still fixes his eager gaze upon the glittering crown?

If yes, let us be charitable, the impatience of

gentlemen who have waited 18 years

may be excused. "Hope deferred, maketh the heart sick." I trust the Senator will not have to wait much longer, but may speedily realize all his expectations.

Senator Houston on the Nebraska Bill.

The following passages occur near the close of Senator Houston's late speech on the Nebraska bill:

He was opposed, as he had said, to the provisions of this bill, relating to the Indians; and if

there could be anything more repugnant to him than those, it was the provisions repealing the Missouri compromise. He had always stood upon that compromise, and in so doing, he had been sustained by the South and by the whole country. The Missouri compromise formed a part of the constitution of Texas, and he had ever supported it. He read long extracts from his speech on the Oregon bill, giving his reasons then for standing by the Missouri line. He would also stand by the compromise of 1850. He was now the only Senator in that body who had voted for all the compromise acts of 1850. Mr. Sturgeon, of Pennsylvania, who was not now in the Senate, was the only other Senator who had voted for them all. In voting for them, he (Mr. Houston) had never supposed he was voting a repeal of the Missouri compromise. Those acts were passed as a finality to the slavery agitation, and as such had been endorsed by the people of the United States, either by approbation or acquiescence. If one compact was to be set aside, will it not be a justification for others hereafter to trample the other under foot? Though it was said that party distinctions no longer existed, he professed to be a supporter of the present administration.

He intended to support the principles upon which that administration came into power. Those principles were avowed by the Democratic candidates in their papers accepting the nominations. The 5th resolution of the Baltimore platform declared that the Democratic party would resist all attempts, in or out of Congress, to renew the slavery agitation, in whatever shape or color that attempt should be made.

The President, in accepting the nomination, declared his concurrence in the resolution, not because it had been adopted, but because of the principle it contained. Mr. King, in his letter, adopted the same resolution. On that platform he had supported them, and on that platform they had been elected. He stood now to resist the renewal of the slavery agitation, by the attempt to repeat the Missouri compromise, and in that position he was fortified by the principle avowed by the President before his election, and in his message to Congress. No candidate for the Presidency, who avowed his desire for the repeal of the Missouri act, would have received the vote of a single State. This measure had not been asked by the South. It would be disastrous to the South. This bill would place it, was admitted, could not go to these territories; they would remain free. Why, then, offer this bauble to the South? Was the South, as a child, to be pleased with a rattle? He came into public life upon the Missouri compromise. When he came to Congress 30 years ago, it was then considered a compact never to be broken. Since then, great changes had taken place. Of the 300 members then in attendance, only three remained—Messrs. Benton, Everett, and himself. The others had all disappeared. The President had come and gone; the heads of departments had all been changed. It was a solemn reflection.

When I remember all the friends so linked together,

I've seen around me fall like leaves in winter weather.

For one who treades alone some banquet deserted,

whose lights are fled, whose garlands dead, and all but

departed."

The future fate of this nation was deeply in-

volved and dependent on this measure. This act

of legislation was destined to produce great effect. Congress now had control over it. It could submit to the future peace, harmony, and prosperity on the one hand, by rejecting this bill, or awarding discord and civil broil by passing it. Let Congress avert the dread alter-

native.

FRANKFORT.

WILLIAM L. CALLENDER, Editor.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1854.

Extra copies of the DAILY COMMONWEALTH, put up in single wrappers, can be had at this office, at the rate of \$2 per hundred. Members of the Legislature wishing to get papers, will please leave their orders on the day before the issue of the number of the paper they wish.

THE DIGEST READY.—Both volumes of Monroe & Harlan's Digest are now ready, and can be obtained at this office, at \$12 per set of two volumes.

The length of Mr. Wadsworth's speech compels us to omit several editorial articles.

SADDLERY HARDWARE.—We call attention to the advertisement of Messrs. Hunter, Coburn, Edmonson & Barr, importers and manufacturers of saddlery, hardware, &c., Cincinnati. Our friends in their line will find them "all right."

We are yet unable to give the speeches of Governors Wright and Powell, because the former, having spoken *ex tempore*, has not been able to find time, under the pressure of our Kentucky attentions and hospitality, to reduce his remarks to paper. We hope, however, to have them to-morrow.

THE APPORTIONMENT BILL PASSED OVER THE VETO.—The apportionment bill vetoed by the Governor and which the Senate passed on Friday, notwithstanding his objections, was taken up in the House yesterday and passed there also by the constitutional majority of 53 to 46 nays. Two Whigs, (Messrs. Fain and Simmons), who had voted against the bill heretofore, voted against it upon this occasion, and two Democrats, (Messrs. Crittenden and Haydon), who had voted for it upon its passage, now voted against it.

We regard the result not so much as a Whig victory, as a proper rebuke to Executive interference in a matter purely of Legislative discretion, and a vindication of the true principles of representative government.

NEW BANKS.—Within two or three days past bills have passed both branches of the General Assembly creating no less than thirteen banks, including branches—viz:

1. The Deposit Bank of Covington has been changed to the "Savings Bank of Kentucky," with a branch at Springfield and one at Burkesville. Capital \$800,000.

2. The "Planters and Manufacturers Bank," located at Louisville with nine branches—viz: at Eddyville, Hawesville, Glasgow, Elizabethtown, Shelbyville, Cynthiana, Winchester, Barboursville and Cattletown. Capital \$2,600,000 with the privilege of a large increase.

Besides these, a bill passed the House of Representatives last evening, by a vote of 47 to 46, establishing a bank at the village of Milton, in Trimble county opposite Madison, Indiana, with branches at Elkhorn, Stanford, Lancaster and Prestonsburg. Besides these, again there are other bank bills not yet acted upon by which is proposed to establish the "Drovers Bank," the "Falls City Bank," &c., &c.

This legislation takes us by surprise. It will, we believe, take the country by surprise, and strike just alarm in the thoughtful business men of the State.

SENATOR WADSWORTH'S SPEECH.

We publish to-day the very able and unanswerable speech of Senator Wadsworth, of Mason, upon the Apportionment Bill. Let every man who wishes to understand the subject; give his remarks a careful perusal. He vindicates triumphantly the action of the committee, and places the opponents of the bill in a position altogether untenable, not to say absurd.

For convenience of reference in reading the speech, and for the better understanding of it, we append here the bill as reported by the committee, and Mr. Hogan's substitute—the only counter project presented in the Senate.

BILL REPORTED BY THE COMMITTEE.—1st District—Fulton, Hickman, Ballard, McCracken, Livingston, Graves, Calloway, Marshall, Caldwell, Lyon, Trigg, Union, Crittenden.

2d. Christian, Hopkins, Henderson, Daviess, Muhlenburg, McLean, Ohio, Hancock, Pleckiridge, Butler and Grayson.

3d. Told, Logan, Simpson, Warren, Edmonson, Barren, Hart, Monroe and Allen.

4th. Cumberland, Clinton, Wayne, Russell, Pulaski, Lincoln, Boyle, Taylor, Green, Adair and Casey.

5th. Meade, Hardin, Bullitt, Larue, Marion, Washington, Nelson, Mercer, Anderson & Spencer.

6th. Garrard, Madison, Rockcastle, Laurel, Knox, Estill, Owlsley, Clay, Perry, Pike, Letcher, Whitley, Harlan, Floyd, Johnson and Breathitt.

7th. Jefferson and city of Louisville, Shelby, Henry and Oldham.

8th. Bourbon, Fayette, Jessamine, Woodford, Scott, Franklin, Harrison and Nicholas.

9th. Mason, Lewis, Greenup, Lawrence, Carter, Morgan, Montgomery, Clarke, Bath, Fleming and Powell.

10th. Trimble, Carroll, Owen, Gallatin, Grant, Boone, Kenton, Campbell, Pendleton and Bracken.

[Upon the motion of Mr. MACHEN, (from Caldwell,) Hopkins county was taken over from the second and placed in the third district. T. W. STEELE.

MR. HOGAN'S SUBSTITUTE.—1st. District—Fulton, Hickman, Ballard, Graves, McCracken, Lyon, Hopkins, Union, Crittenden, and Livingston.

2d. Christian, Henderson, Daviess, Hancock, Breckinridge, Meade, Grayson, Ohio, Muhlenburg, McLean, Butler and Edmonson.

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[This was afterwards by adding Larue to the 5th and Bath to the 6th district—these counties having been accidentally omitted.]

SPECIAL NOTICES.

We are authorized to announce RICHARD T. COLEMAN, as a candidate for the office of Jailer of Franklin county, at the ensuing August election.

COMPLIMENTARY PARTY.

The Assembly Ball Club will give the children, who were excluded by the regulations of the last ball, a Fancy Dress Party at the Capital Hotel, on Saturday evening, Feb. 23d, commencing at 7 o'clock.

No further invitation than this notice will be given.

SAM. C. SAYERS, Sec'y.

NOTICE.

All persons indebted to Mr. RICHARD KNOTT, by note or account, are notified that he has left Frankfort, and has placed his unsettled business in my hands.

Those who know themselves to be indebted to him, by note or account, are requested to call on me at the "Commonwealth" office and make payment.

G. W. LEWIS.

Frankfort, February 15, 1854—t.

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